ANTI-VIRUS SECURITY POLICY ENFORCEMENT ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a first embodiment, in a distributed network having a number of server computers and associated client devices, method of enforcing an anti-virus security policy is described. The method is carried out by querying each of the client devices to determine if each of the client devices has an appropriate anti-virus software installed, identifying those queried client devices not having the appropriate anti-virus software as target client devices, locking all communications channels of the target client devices to a anti-virus software installation server, and installing the appropriate anti-virus software to all target client devices.